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A wireless peripheral for a receiver comprising:

a housing;

a keyboard defined on said housing; and

a pair of wireless interfaces that transmit wireless signals directed at sufficiently spaced angles with respect to one another to enable said receiver to

distinguish one of said signals from the other of said

signals.

The peripheral of claim 1 wherein said housing includes a pair of opposed sides, a keyboard being situated on each of said sides.

- 3. The peripheral of claim 2 including a wireless interface associated with each of said keyboards.
- 4. The peripheral of claim 2 wherein one of said keyboards operates as a remote control unit and the other of said keyboards operates as a text entry keyboard.
- 5. The peripheral of claim 4 wherein said text entry keyboard is a querty keyboard.
- 1 6. The peripheral of claim 1 including a controller coupled to said interfaces and said keyboard.

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2	interfaces	are	infrared	inte	erfaces	₃.			

- 1 8. The peripheral of claim 1 wherein said interfaces 2 are angled sufficiently such that only one of said signals 3 is detected by said receiver.
- 9. The peripheral of claim 8 wherein said interfaces are oriented to generate wireless signals at an angle of greater than 45° from one another.
 - 10. The peripheral of claim 1 wherein said keyboard has at least two different orientations, such that when said keyboard is arranged relative to a user in each of said orientations, a different one of said interfaces is aligned with said receiver.

1 11 A method comprising:

providing at least two modes for a wireless

device; and

selecting one of said modes for said wireless device based on the orientation of said wireless device.

12. The method of claim 11 including using said wireless device to control a processor-based system.

- 1 13. The method of claim 12 including providing a
 2 housing having sides and a keyboard on each side of said
 3 housing and controlling said processor-based system from
 4 one of said keyboards depending on the orientation of the
 5 keyboard with respect to the user.
- 1 14. The method of claim 13 including providing a pair 2 of wireless interfaces angularly oriented with respect to 3 each other on said housing, each of said interfaces 4 associated with a keyboard.
- 1 15. The method of claim 14 including controlling a television receiver.
- 1 16. The method of claim 15 including providing remote 2 control unit commands in one orientation of said device and 3 providing text entry commands in another orientation of 4 said device.
- 1 17. The method of claim 12 including providing a pair 2 of wireless interfaces each oriented at an angle with 3 respect to one another such that when the device is used in 4 one of two orientations, a different interface is 5 automatically aligned with the system.